

**PROGRAM INSTRUCTION**

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**TO:** Directors and Nutrition Coordinators  
Area Agencies on Aging

**FROM:** Donna V. Handley, Program Specialist

**SUBJECT:** Under 60 Individual Giving a Voluntary Contribution for a 60 or Over  
Individual at a Congregate Meal Site

**CONTENT:** Individuals who are 60 or older are considered to be eligible according to the Older Americans Act (OAA) and can give a voluntary contribution for a congregate meal. Individuals who are under 60 and considered ineligible according to the OAA must pay the full cost for a congregate meal.

An individual who is under 60 years of age (ineligible) can give the voluntary contribution rate for a congregate meal for a 60 or over (eligible) individual only in the following situation:

- Both must eat the meals at the congregate meal site at the time the contribution is made.
- The under 60 individual will pay the full cost of her meal. This meal is not eligible for Older Americans Act (OAA) funding.
- The meal for the 60 or over individual is eligible for OAA funding.

It bears repeating that meals are not eligible for OAA funding if the full cost of the meals is paid.

If you have any questions, please contact Donna Handley at the State Unit on Aging.

Sincerely,



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